

REMARKS

Claims 1-2, 5-8, 10-28, 31-34, and 36-41 have been cancelled. Claims 3, 9, 29, and 35 have been amended to clarify the subject matter regarded as the invention. Claims 3, 4, 9, 29, 30, and 35 are pending.

The Examiner has rejected claims 3, 4, 9, 29, 30, and 35 under 35 USC 112, second paragraph. Independent claims 3, 9, 29, and 35 have been amended to delete the term “possible”, which amendment is believed to overcome the rejections under 35 USC 112.

The Examiner has rejected claims 3, 4, 9, 29, 30, and 35 under 35 USC 102(e) as anticipated by Crosbie.

The rejection is respectfully traversed. With respect to claim 3, Crosbie teaches search for attack patterns to detect exploits. However, Crosbie does not describe using a regular expression to detect an sgid exploit by “searching for [log] entries showing that a process has been started by a sgid process with effective group ID equal to zero and group ID (gid) not equal to zero,” as recited in claim 3. See, e.g., Crosbie at 50-54 (not listing sgid exploit among “Events Supported in Shipped Version”). Support for the amendment to claim 3 may be found, without limitation, in the Application at page 60, lines 4-19 and Figure 26. As such, claim 3 is believed to be allowable.

Claim 4 depends from claim 3 and is believed to be allowable for the same reasons described above.

Similarly to claim 3, claim 9 recites “searching for entries showing that the shell has started a process... wherein the shell comprises a sgid process with effective group ID equal to zero and group ID (gid) not equal to zero.” As such, claim 9 is believed to be allowable for the same reasons described above.

Similarly to claim 3, claim 29 recites a processor “configured to search for entries showing that a process has been started by a sgid process with effective group ID equal to zero

and group ID (gid) not equal to zero.” As such, claim 29 is believed to be allowable for the same reasons described above.

Claim 30 depends from claim 29 and is believed to be allowable for the same reasons described above.

Like claim 3, claim 35 recites “searching for [log] entries showing that a process has been started by a sgid process with effective group ID equal to zero and group ID (gid) not equal to zero.” As such, claim 35 is believed to be allowable for the same reasons described above.

Reconsideration of the application and allowance of all claims are respectfully requested based on the preceding remarks. If at any time the Examiner believes that an interview would be helpful, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Indep Claims	4	Less	13		x \$43 = \$		OR	x \$86 = \$	
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